

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

On April 27, 2005 the undersigned discussed the present case with Examiner El Chanti. The Examiner's courtesy during the telephone call was much appreciated. During the interview, the Examiner agreed that the above amendment to claim 38 would distinguish the pending claims over the US Patent no. 6,499,052. The present amendment is respectfully submitted, without prejudice to pursuing the previous versions of the claims via a continuation application, which might be pursued at a later date.

Conclusion

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the pending claims and a notice of allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-1703, under Order No. SCHB-1600.

A duplicate copy of the transmittal cover sheet attached to this Response is provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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